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Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas

Whereas, An arrangement has been entered into between the Government of the United States, and that of this Republic, by which the treaty of Amity, Navigation, and Commerce existing between the former, and Mexico is declared binding on the said United States, and Texas.

Now, therefore, Be it known that I Sam Houston President of the Republic of Texas, have caused the said, arrangement to be made public to the end, that the same may be observed and fulfilled in good faith by this Republic and the officers and Citizens thereof.

Proclamation relative to arrangements with U. States

In testimony whereof I have caused the Great Seal of the Republic to be hereunto affixed.

respecting treaty 6th Dec 1838

Done at the City of Houston this Eighth day of December A.D. One thousand eight hundred and thirty eight and of the Independence of Texas the third.

Sam Houston

(By the President)

R. A. Irion, Secy of State

Proclamation

In the name and by the authority of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas, it has been represented to me by an official Communication, from His Excellency Alexander McNutt Governor of the State of Mississippi one of the States of the U. States, that a certain individual named Johnson Cook who stands charged on Oath, in Proclamation relative to the said State of Mississippi with the Murder of One Silas M. Reeves is a Murderer and a Fugitive from Justice, and from the laws of said State, and now within the Republic aforesaid.

And whereas, the Executive of this Republic has been requested by his said Excellency Alexander McNutt, to cause the said Johnson Cook to be delivered into the custody of Thomas H. Wilson or such other person as he may appoint for the purpose of having him the said Cook conveyed to the said State of Mississippi for trial and punishment.

And whereas the Honorable Abel P. Upshur Secretary of the Navy of the United States, residing near the government of this Republic has in pursuance of the views of the said Executive McNutt, requested that said Johnson Cook be delivered up as aforesaid.

Therefore, be it known, that I Sam Houston President of said Republic of Texas, do hereby issue this my Proclamation, ordering

the arrest of the said Johnson Cook if to be found within this Republic. And that he be delivered up to the said William H. Wilson, or such person, as he may appoint to receive him the said Cook, to be conveyed as aforesaid to the said State of Mississippi, there to be dealt with according to law.

And I hereby enjoin all officers Civil and Military within the Republic aforesaid, to render such assistance and aid as may be required to carry into effect the purposes of this Proclamation.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the Republic of Texas this 30th day of January A.D. 1839.

Mirabeau B. Lamar

By the President

A. G. McNeel
Secretary of State

By His Excellency Mirabeau B. Lamar
President of the Republic Texas.

Whereas it appears by the affidavit of George A. Kenney which is herewith duly certified to be authentic, that Johnson Cook, is charged with having murdered one Silas M. Reeves, in the County of Scott, in said State.

And whereas it appears that the said Johnson Cook, has fled from justice, and is to be found in the Republic of Texas. Now, therefore, I do hereby request that your Excellency, cause the said Johnson Cook, to be arrested, secured, and delivered up to the bearer William H. Wilson, or such other person, as he may appoint, who is hereby authorized to receive and receipt, and to conduct him to the State of Mississippi, in order that he may be dealt with according to law.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed at the City of Jackson, this 12th day of January A.D. 1839: and of the Sovereignty of the State of Mississippi the twenty second.

A. G. McNeel

(By the Governor)
Benj. D. Duncan Secy of State.

Proclamation

Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas

To the Sheriff of Jasper Jefferson County or any Constable Republic and to all other persons to whom these shall come. Greeting

Whereas it has been represented to me, that a special term of the district court began and holden in the aforesaid County of Saint Augustine on Said Republic, on the second Monday in March next and by the verdict of the Jury, found guilty of the offence of Murder, against this republic, and upon which verdict, a Judgement and Sentence of the court was rendered, that the said Hanshaw, be executed on the 22nd of February, then and there next following.

And whereas, divers good Citizens of said County of St Augustine have petitioned the Executive to reprieve and pardon the said Silvan Hanshaw and have set forth various reasons extenuating the offence of the said Hanshaw in this behalf and operating in his favor.

Proclamation reprieving Hanshaw 18th Feby 1839.

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The election for the field officers of the Regiments will be ordered as soon as Complete returns of the Companies are received

Com in reading the foregoing

Proclamation

Whereas. it has been made known to me that Millard. M. Parkerson was convicted at the last term in the year 1838 of the District Court held in and for the County of Brazoria in the Republic of Texas, of the offence of manslaughter committed on the body of one Patrick Quinn, and that the said Millard. M. Parkerson was by the judgement of said Court pronounced, at the term aforesaid, sentenced to be imprisoned aforesaid offence, in the common jail of said County of Brazoria for the term of twelve months, and is now confined in said Jail under and by virtue of said Sentence.

And whereas an appeal has been made to the Clemency of the Executive, praying that the said Millard. M. Parkerson be pardoned for said offence, and that he be discharged from so much of said Sentence of imprisonment in said Jail, as is yet to be performed and suffered. — And Whereas it is represented in the application for said pardon, that the said Millard M. Parkerson is desirous of atoneing for said offence, as far as it can be done by enlisting in the military service of the said Republic.

Proclamation relative to Millard M. Parkerson

12th Mar 1839

Now, therefore, I, Mirabeau. B. Lamar. President of said Republic of Texas, in virtue of the power in me vested by law, do, in the name, and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents pardon and Generate the said Millard W. Parkerson for the said offence of Manslaughter for which he has been convicted and Sentenced as aforesaid, upon the condition that he shall enlist in the military Service of said Republic for the term of three years, & faithfully perform the duties of a Soldier; for said term, Unless sooner legally discharged therefrom. And, I do hereby Command and require the Sheriff, Jailer or such other officer of the law as may have the charge, and Custody of the said Parkerson, Under and by Virtue of said Sentence, to discharge him from his confinement in said Jail upon its being Made known to him or them by any Commissioned Military officer of the regular Service of said Republic that he the said Parkerson has enlisted in said Service for the term aforesaid.

In testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, & Caused these letters to be made patent, by affixing the seal of the Republic thereto, this twelfth day of March, in the year one thousand, eight hundred, and thirty Nine, and of the Independence the fourth

By the President

Proclamation

Whereas, it has been made known to me, that John Workman was convicted at the last term of the Circuit Court of Harrisburg County Republic of Texas of the crime of Manslaughter, committed on the body of one William Chatham, Proclamation and that the said John Workman upon by judgment of said Court pronounced at relative to the term aforesaid, sentenced to three years confinement in the common Jail of John Workman Harrisburg County for the term, and is now confined in said Jail under, and by March 30 virtue of said Sentence.

And Whereas, an appeal has been made to the Clemency of the

Secretary of State

Whereas the people of the united States of the Republic of Texas
at various times Unsettled a great desire, to free us boundary
interference with the inhabitants of Texas, and whereas various Treaties
made to this Government, by the constituted authorities and treaties ratified
by the people of the United States and the United States of America
Now be it known that we acknowledge with the deepest
gratitude the Providence that has enabled us to settle
the boundary line between us and the United States
and the General Congress of the United States of America
have the power

by the President of the United States of America

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Declaration

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Declaration

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Secretary of State

Proclamation

Whereas it has been made known to me that Jonathan H. Hardeman was convicted at Fayette, Colorado County, at the August Term eighteen hundred and thirty seven of the offence of perjury.

And whereas my office has been made to the Executive, praying that the said Jonathan H. Hardeman be pardoned for said offence, and that he be discharged from confinement &c.

Now therefore I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of said Republic of Texas, in virtue of the power vested in me by law, do in the name and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents pardon and exonerate the said Jonathan H. Hardeman for the said offence of perjury for which he has been convicted 16th Sept 1839 as aforesaid. And I do hereby command and require the Sheriff or other officer of the law, as may have the charge and custody of said Hardeman under and by virtue of said conviction, to discharge him from confinement.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused these letters to be made patent by affixing the seal of the Republic thereto, this Seventeenth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundreds and thirty seven, and of the Independence of Texas the fourth.

By the President

(Signed) M. B. Lamar

(Signed)
James Webb Secy of State

Proclamation

Whereas information has been duly received of the death of William H. Wharton, late a Senator on the Congress of the Republic of Texas from the Senatorial district composed of the County of Brazoria, therefore be it known, that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of said Republic, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby proclaim, order and direct, that an election be held in said district on Monday the twelfth day of May next for a Senator on Congress, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the said Honorable William H. Wharton.

And it is further ordered, that the Honorable R. J. Walker Chief Justice of said District do issue writs of election to the Judges & Clerks of each precinct in said County to hold and conduct the same, and when the same shall have been held the returns thereof duly made to the said Judges by the said Clerks of said election, within ten days from the day of election.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the Republic at the City of Houston this 2nd day of June A.D. 1837 & of the Independence of Texas the fourth

(Signed) M. B. Lamar

James Webb
Secretary of State

Proclamation

Whereas it has been made known to me that Morris E. Jeffers was convicted at the August term, One thousand eight hundred and thirty nine of the District Court holden in and for the County of Titus, of the offence of stealing a horse, the property of George Taylor of said County, and was by the judgment of said Court pronounced at the aforesaid term, sentenced to be hanged by the neck until dead, which said sentence, and said judgment, directed to be carried into execution on the thirty first day of May instant.

And whereas divers good Citizens of said County have applied on behalf of said Morris E. Jeffers to the Executive, praying that he be pardoned for said offence.

Now, therefore I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of said Republic

Pardon of Morris E. Jeffers. 14th may 1839.

of Texas, in virtue of the power vested in me by Law, &c, in the name, and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents pardon, and exonerate the said Morris E. Jeffers for the said offence of Horse stealing, upon the condition, that he, the said Morris E. Jeffers leave the said Republic of Texas, within fifteen days after he shall have been liberated from confinement, and not again return thereto, and in case he shall ever return to the said Republic, and be found therein, he, the said Morris E. Jeffers, shall be liable to be arrested, and punished for said offence, under and by virtue of said Sentence, without this pardon had not been granted.—

And I do hereby command and require the Sheriff, Sheriffs, or such other officer as may have the charge and custody of the said Morris E. Jeffers under, and by virtue of said sentence, to discharge him from his confinement, in the Jail of said County.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused these letters to be made patent, and affixing the seal of the Republic thereto, this fourteenth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred & thirty nine, and of the Independence of Texas the [illegible]

(L.S.)

(By the President)

M. B. Lamar

James Webb.
Secy of State

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Proclamation

Whereas, it has been made known to me that Samuel A. Wynn has been convicted at the present term, thereof the District Court, holden in and for the County of Harrisburg, of the offence of Forgery, and was by the judgment of said Court pronounced at the present term, sentenced to be hanged until he was dead, which said sentence and judgment directed to be carried into execution on Friday the [illegible] day of June between the hours of [illegible] and [illegible] o'clock A.M. and whereas the said Samuel A. Wynn has petitioned the Executive of the Republic, praying that he be pardoned for said offence.

Pardon of Samuel A. Wynn. May 24th 1839.

Now, therefore, I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas in virtue of the power [illegible] by law, do in the name, and by the authority of said Republic, by these

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said to become due and owing to the Treasury of the Republic of Texas, and the said Alexander McIver be discharged from the penalty of said sentence of said Court, and all costs of prosecution, which said fine and costs are yet unpaid.

And therefore I Mirabeau B. Lamar President of said Republic of Texas, and Chief Magistrate of the same by Law, do in the name and by the authority of said Republic by these presents pardon the said Alexander McIver for the said offence, of assault and Battery, and do direct the Attorney General to enter for record the pardon considered, and exonerate him from the penalty of the sentence aforesaid.

And I do hereby command and require the Clerk, Deputy Clerk, or Acting Clerk, or such other officer of the Law as may have the charge and custody of the records of the said District Court of Nacogdoches County, containing the decree of said Court against said Alexander McIver, for this aforesaid offence, to record this pardon of four hundred dollars and costs, and to make such entry upon said record, as to wholly release the said Alexander McIver, from the penalty of said sentence, or any part thereof, upon the presentation of these letters patent.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused these letters to be made patent by affixing the seal of the Republic thereto, this twentieth day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty nine and of the Independence of Texas the fourth

By the President (Signed) M. B. Lamar.
James Webb.
Act'g Secy of State

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas it has been made known to the Executive, that serious disturbances and conflicts have recently taken place between the Cushatta Indians, and some of the citizens of this Republic, residing in the Neighbourhood of their towns and villages, on the Trinity River, in which five of the Indians have been slain, and

Proclamation to prevent disturbances with Cushatta Indians July 9th 1839

the residue as it is said, threatened with extermination.

And whereas, it has also been represented to the Executive that the said Cushatta tribe of Indians, are, and always have been peaceful and friendly disposed towards the white settlers of the Country, and are desirous of living upon terms of amity with all the good citizens of the Republic, if permitted to do so.

And whereas such disturbances and conflicts if happening, could injure the National character, and prevent the emigration to our country, Indians tribes and nations, not acquainted with the principles

of the Republic and prosecute a war of extermination, utter destruction and devastation against said Indians, their women and children, wherever they can be found, and by all means in their power, and that all persons who may be found in the act of committing depredations upon the property of the citizens of the Republic, or who may be found lurking about the frontier settlements with the avowed intention of committing depredations upon the property of the citizens of the Republic, shall be considered as spies, and shall be punished with death.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Republic at Houston, this ninth day of July Eighteen Hundred and thirty nine, and of the Independence of Texas, the fourth

(Signed) Mirabeau B. Lamar

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas the time for which the several members composing the Representative branch of the Congress of the Republic of Texas were elected, will expire on the second day of September next— And whereas the time for which the several Senators to said Congress were elected from the Senatorial districts composed of the Counties of Jasper & Jefferson, of the County of San Augustine, of the County of Bexar, and of the Counties of Harrisburg, Liberty & Galveston will also expire on the said second day of September next—

Therefore be it known, That I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of said Republic, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct that there be an election held in each of the Counties of said Republic, on the ordering said second day of September next, that being the first monday of September, for the member of Representatives allowed by law to each of said Counties in the Congress of said Republic, and for the Senators, in the several Senatorial districts Representatives above mentioned.

Proclamation

2nd Sept 1839

And it is further ordered, that the Chief Justices of the Counties aforesaid be and they are hereby directed to give due notice of said Election in their respective Counties, and to appoint a presiding officer in each precinct who may appoint the Judges and Clerks, in the same to hold and conduct said Elections, and in which there have been none, the returns thereof to be made by said Judges to them the said Chief Justices respectively within the days according to law.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the Republic at the city of Houston this 5th day of July A.D. 1839, and of the Independence of Texas the fourth

By the President Mirabeau B. Lamar

Asa Brigham
Secy of State

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Proclamation

Whereas it has been made known to me, that Juan Galvan was convicted at the October Term of the District Court held, in and for the County of Bexar, of the offence of stealing a horse, and was by the judgement of said Court pronounced at the aforesaid term, sentenced to be hanged until he was dead, which said sentence was by said judgement, directed to be carried into execution on the twenty Sixth day of October instant.

Proclamation
Reprieve
Juan Galvan
Octr 23rd 1839

And whereas divers good Citizens of said County have appealed on behalf of said Juan Galvan to the Clemency of the Executive

Now therefore I Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of said Republic of Texas in Virtue of the power vested in me by Law, do in the name and by the authority of said Republic by these presents, order and direct the Sheriff of the said County of Bexar to suspend the execution of the said Sentence, until the twenty third day of January Next, on which day the said Sheriff, is hereby ordered to carry the execution of the said sentence into full effect, according to Law, Unless otherwise ordered by me.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused these letters to be made patent, by affixing the seal of the Republic thereto, this Twenty third day of October in thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, and of the Independence of Texas, the fourth

(By the President)

Proclamation

Whereas it has been represented to me by Sundry Citizens of the County of San Patricio, that there was no election held for Representative from said County to the next Congress, in consequence of information having reached them, on the day of the election of the death of William Brenan the only Candidate for that County, for Repr for said and that consequently there is now a vacancy in the representation of said County.

Proclamation
for Repr for said
Patricio County
Septr 19th 1839

And whereas the said County of San Patricio, is one of the depredated Counties of this Republic.

Therefore I Mirabeau B Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, do hereby order and direct an election to be held on Tuesday the fifteenth day of October Next, in such counties of said Republic, as the citizens of said County of San Patricio may be residing in at present for one Representative to the next Congress for said County, and the Chief Justices of each of the said Counties in which said election is directed to be held, is/are appointed the Judges and managers of the same, and give due notice thereof, and make their returns according to Law.

Given under my hand at the City of Houston this Nineteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, there being no seal at this place, the Great Seal of the Republic, being retained in the hands of the Secretary of the Navy at the City of Houston

Mirabeau B. Lamar

Samuel A. Worcester
Secty Dept of State

Proclamation

Whereas. Redigration of J. M. Carlton. Navarro has been received as Representative of the County of Bexar. in the Congress of the Republic of Texas.

Therefore be it known that I. Mirabeau B Lamar, President of said Republic, in virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby proclaim, Order and direct that an election be held in and for said County on Saturday the ninth day of November next for a Representative to fill the Vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Antonio Navarro.

And it is further ordered that the Hon Erasmo Seguin Chief Justice of the County of Bexar, be and he is hereby directed, to give due notice of said election according to law. —

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the Republic at the City of Austin this the 5th day of November A.D. 1839 and of the Independence of Texas the Fourth. —

By the President

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas

Whereas, by a resolution of the Houses of Representatives of this Republic, the election of Daniel Parker as Representative in that body from the County of Shelby, has been declared illegal, and his Seat Vacant.

And whereas the resignation of Emory Rains as Senator in the Congress of this Republic from the district composed of the Counties of Shelby, Sabine and Harrison has been received.

Therefore, be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct that there be an election held on the twentieth day of December 1839, in the County of Shelby for a Representative in the present Congress of this Republic from said County to fill the vacancy before mentioned, and in the Counties of Shelby, Sabine and Harrison to fill the Vacancy of Senator in the district composed of the said three Counties, occasioned by the resignation of the said Emory Rains.

And it is further ordered that each of the Chief Justices of the Counties of Shelby, Sabine and Harrison give due notice of the Election for their respective Counties, and it shall & may be the duty of the Sheriffs of said Counties to hold & cause to be held said Elections and return the same when duly executed, the returns thereof to be made to the Chief Justices of their said respective Counties.

And it is further ordered that the Chief Justices of the Counties of Sabine and Harrison within ten days after the return of their Elections from their different precincts may have been received by them, shall each send up the returns of his respective County

property authenticated and delivered them to the Chief Justices of the County of Shelby.

And the Chief Justices of the County of Shelby after receiving the returns from the different precincts of said County of the election for Senator and Representatives, and the returns from the Chief Justices of the Counties of Jackson and Harrison, of the election of Senator aforesaid will give the necessary certificates to the Senator and Representatives elect.

Given under my hands, and the great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of Austin this the 18th day of December A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine; and of the Independence of Texas the fourth.

(By the President) Mirabeau B. Lamar

David G. Burnet
Acting Secy of State

To the Right Honorable
Lord Viscount Palmerston
for Foreign Affairs

My Lord.

I have the honor herewith to present, which will be presented by General James Hamilton; to be accredited to her Majesties Government. This gentleman, whom I have commissioned, as a Confidential Agent of the Republic of Texas.

The object of the appointment of this Agent is, that either alone or in connexion with any Minister who may hereafter be accredited, he may enter into a negociation through the mediation of her Majesty Government which mediation he is hereby authorized to accept for a Convention with Mexico for peace and the establishment of boundaries between Mexico and Texas under a, said Mediation as proposed by the Congress of Texas, enjoined 21st December 1839.

And it is hoped he will be able to present such reasons to your Lordship as may give satisfactory in reference to this subject etc. To enable him to do so, I have the honor to request, that full faith and credit may be given to all he shall say, on the part of this Government.

Given under my hand, and the great seal of the Republic, at the City of Austin this 21st day of December A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine and in the 4th year of the Republic the fourth.

By the President.

(Signed) Memucan D. Lamar

(Signed)
Memucan G. Burnet
Acting Secy of State

"To the Right Honorable
Lord Viscount Palmerston
Her Foreign Majesty's
&c &c &c

My Lord

I have the honor by this letter of the
bearer which will be presented by General Samuel Houston, to accredit to Her Majesty's
Government that gentleman whom I have commissioned and to confidential agent
of the Republic of Texas.

The object of the establishment of this agency is that he may
obtain the recognition of the Independence of that Republic, by her Majesties Gover-
nment, and Negociate a treaty of Amity, and commerce, between the two Nations.
either alone, or in connexion with such Minister, as may be accredited to your
Government, and it is hoped, that gentleman will be able to present such
reasons as will favor satisfactory information in reference to this subject— Herewith
I do have, I have the honor to request that full faith and credit may be given
to all he shall say on the part of this Government.

Given Under my hand and the great
Seal of the Republic, at the City of Austin
this 31st day of December A.D. One thousand
eight hundred and thirty Nine, and of
the Year of the Republic the Fourth.

By the President

Mirabeau B. Lamar

Daniel G. Barnard
acting Secty of State

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas

Whereas, it has been represented to the Executive, that A. Alejo
Bastrop, and Guadalupe Seguin, were convicted in a Second court in a certain
bill of indictment for gambling and Keeping Monte banks, at the October term
of the district Court held in and for the County of Bexar on the charge
of obtaining the money of Monte to be dealt on their bench, and were
adjudged to pay a fine for and on account of their offence. And whereas
divers good citizens of the County of Bexar have petitioned, that the said persons
implored upon the said Bastrop and Seguin on account of the offence, afore-
said, be remitted, and have presented good reasons for the same,

Therefore, be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President
of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Con-
stitution and laws of the same and by the authority of the people, do
hereby remit the fine imposed upon the said A. Alejo Bastrop and Guadalupe
Seguin by the District Court of Bexar County at the October Term
A.D. 1839 of Bexar County Containing the decree of Said Court.

received should be entered in the General Land Office, and the [illegible] shall entitle the said [illegible] to a patent for the land therein described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the Republic to be affixed at the city of Austin this 29th day of December A.D. 1839, and of the Independence of Texas the fourth

By the President

Mirabeau B. Lamar

Stanley C. Burnet
acting Secy of State

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas information has been received that certain citizens of the Republic have recently passed the boundary line between Texas and Mexico as prescribed by the Act of Congress of December 1836 and have associated themselves with one of the belligerent parties now contending for supremacy. And whereas it is deemed impolitic at this time with the true interest and honor of Texas to intermeddle with that contest.

Therefore be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas do by this proclamation warn and admonish all citizens of Texas to abstain from all hostilities against the territory of Mexico and from all unauthorized incursions into the territory of Mexico and from all unauthorized incursions into the territory of Mexico and from all unauthorized incursions into the territory of Mexico and from all other acts of hostility against the same, except in defence of our territory) until by public proclamation it shall be declared that active hostilities are to be resumed between the two Nations, when that time shall arrive the Government will confidently look to the chivalry and patriotism of the people which has been often displayed, and whose patriotism is as conspicuous in defending the honor as in sustaining the rights of the country. And I do further proclaim that if any citizen or citizens of this Republic shall contravene this proclamation and without orders from the proper authority make or by any hostile act molest its citizens within their territory such citizens so offending are and shall be considered without the protection of the Government which disclaims all participation in their conduct and will not extend to countenance to their unauthorized acts.

Given under my hand and seal of the Republic aforesaid at the City of Austin this 29th day of December A.D. 1839, and of the Independence of Texas the fourth

By the President

Mirabeau B. Lamar

Stanley C. Burnet
acting Secy of State

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas it has been made known to me that George Lees was indicted and convicted at the last Term of the District Court held in and for the County of Victoria, in the Republic of Texas, of the offence of Larceny and was by said court sentenced to pay for said offence the sum of one hundred dollars and cost of the suit, and that he should stand committed in the custody of the Sheriff until the same should be paid.

Proclamation relative to George Lees.

And Whereas many good citizens of the said County of Victoria have petitioned, that the said fine of one hundred dollars and costs be remitted and that he be discharged from said custody of the Sheriff.

Therefore be it known, that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, and in the name and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents, exonerate the said George Lees, and remit the fine of one hundred dollars, and order him to be released from the custody of the Sheriff upon the condition that the said George Lees pays to the Sheriff or other Officer or Officers entitled to receive the same, all the costs of said prosecution and all other costs and expenses incurred in consequence of his said commitment. Otherwise the sentence of said Court to remain in full force and effect.

And I do hereby command and require the clerk, Deputy Clerk or such other officer of the Law as may have charge or custody of the Records of Victoria County containing the decree of said court against said Lees, when he shall have paid the cost and expenses as aforesaid, to remit the said fine of one hundred dollars and to make such entries upon said records as to wholly release the said George Lees from said fine

Given under my hand and the great seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of Austin this 3d day of January A.D. 1841 and of the Independence of Texas the fourth.

By the President Mirabeau B. Lamar

David G. Burnet, acting Secty of State.

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas

Whereas it has been made known to me that Green Evans was indicted and convicted at the last term of the District Court held in and for the County of Victoria, in the Republic of Texas, of the offence of grand larceny, and was by said Court sentenced to pay for said offence the sum of one hundred dollars and costs of suit, and that he should stand committed in the custody of the Sheriff until the same should be paid. And whereas many good citizens of said County of Victoria have petitioned, that the said fine of one hundred dollars and costs be remitted, and that he be discharged from the said custody of the Sheriff.

Therefore be it known, that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by

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A Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas

Whereas by the eleventh section of an act, entitled "an act concerning the several ports, be raised or reserve by impost duties" approved "Dec. last, the President is authorized to adopt such instructions as may be necessary, to carry into effect such present and future agreements with the government of France, by the regulation of the duties on goods, wares and merchandize imported from that country.

Therefore be it known, that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by the powers of carrying the above objects into effect, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do in the name and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents, hereby proclaim and declare, that the duties on all wines, the product of France, imported direct from any of the Ports of France in French or Texian Vessels, are for the present established.

And further, I do hereby require all collectors of customs, to permit all wines as aforesaid to be admitted free of duty into any of the ports of this Republic, until this proclamation shall be revoked by the President.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of Texas to be affixed.

Done at the city of Austin this eleventh day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty, and of the Independence of the Republic the fourth

By the President — Mirabeau B. Lamar

Asher G. Sterne
Secretary of State

A Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas

Whereas, information has been received from the Governor of this United Colonies, that certain, Waitch Negroes, (a description of which hereunto annexed) are declared to be detained in the Republic of Texas, as Slaves and whereas Commander Hazzilton of the British Ship of War, has been despatched by his Government, for the purpose of liberating the Waitch Negroes, and demanded in behalf of his Government that they should be surrendered to their owners, and whereas, those Negroes could only be obtained by force of arms, and whereas it is expedient, to adopt the most peaceable, and reasonable mode of settling the dispute and requisition with as little as possible, to the rights of citizens, and more especially, all persons, Civil and Military to give every facility to the said Commander

[illegible] and their official and other powers, as recommended by the Senate of the United States in their Resolution of the fourteenth day of February last, and by the Laws of the Republic, and of His Majesty's Government, and the said Treaty and Articles of Peace, Friendship and Limits, and the Separate Articles and Additional Articles aforesaid, and every thing therein contained, on the part and behalf of the United States, to be done and performed, and to that end to meet and assemble at the City of Austin on the fourteenth day of February Instant, and there to exchange the said Ratifications of the said Treaty, Additional Articles and Separate Articles, and every of them, and thereupon to make and execute Duplicate Instruments of the same, and to do and perform all such other Acts as may be necessary and proper for the full and entire execution of the Powers and Authorities hereby given unto them, and each of them, and also Military Attorneys, one or more for the said Agents, Counsel in effecting the objects of their Appointments.

In witness whereof I have caused the Seal of the Republic of Texas to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my Hand at the City of Austin this fourteenth day of February Eighteen hundred and forty, and of the Independence of the Republic the fourth.

By the President Mirabeau B. Lamar

Abner S. Lipscomb
Secretary of State

A Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas

Whereas, a Treaty of Amity, Navigation, and Commerce, between the Republic of Texas, and His Majesty the King of the French, together with three Separate Articles annexed to the same, were concluded and signed by the respective Plenipotentiaries of the two Governments, at the City of Austin on the seventh day of September, One thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, which Treaty and additional Articles are word for word as follows- + + + + + + + + +

And whereas the said Treaty and additional Articles have been ratified on both parts, and the respective ratifications of the same were exchanged at Austin on the fourteenth day of February one thousand eight hundred and forty by Abner S. Lipscomb Secretary of State of the Republic of Texas, and Monsieur Mathieu de Saligny, Chargé d'Affaires of His Majesty the King of the French, Knight of the Royal Order of the Legion of Honour &c, on the part of their respective Governments.

Now therefore be it known, that I Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, have caused the said Treaty to be made public, to the end, that the same and every clause, and article thereof, may be observed and performed with good faith by the Republic of Texas, and the citizens thereof.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Republic of Texas to be affixed.

Done at the City of Austin this [illegible] day of [illegible] in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty, and of the Independence of the Republic the fourth

By the President M B Lamar

A.S. Lipscomb
Sec of State

A Proclamation

Whereas, it has been made known to me that Jesse Brattin was indicted, and convicted at Spring term of the District Court, held in and for the County of Travis in the Republic of Texas, of the offence of Stealing one head of neat cattle; and was by said Court sentenced to receive thirty nine lashes, and pay the costs of the suit; which sentence was by said judgement, directed to be carried into execution on the thirteenth day of may instant. — And whereas divers good citizens of said County of Travis, have applicated on behalf of said John Brattin to the Clemency of the Executive.

Therefore be it known that I Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do in the name and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents pardon and exonerate the said John Brattin of the offence for which he has been convicted, and remit the Sentence thereof thirty nine lashes. — And do hereby order and direct the Sheriff of said County of Travis, or such person as may have charge and custody of said Brattin, to discharge him from said custody, after he shall have paid the costs of said suit, in accordance with the judgement of said Court, and permit him to go free.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Seal of the Republic to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of Austin this the thirteenth day of May A.D. 1840. — And of the Independence of Texas, the fifth

By the President Mirabeau B. Lamar

Henry S. Fullerton
Secy of State

A Proclamation

Whereas, it has been made known to me, that James Cooper was convicted at the late term of the District Court held in and for the County of Galveston in the Republic of Texas, at the term of September, one, the present of said Court, and that the said Cooper was by the judgement of said Court sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, and also to be confined in the Penitentiary of the Republic by manual labor, and delivered by the Sheriff of Galveston County to the Keeper of the Penitentiary, there to remain for the space of two years, and that he be discharged from the penitentiary at the expiration

Therefore be it known that I Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do in the name and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents pardon the said James Cooper for the said offence of manslaughter for which he was

convicted and exonerate him from the penalty of the Sentence aforesaid
And I do hereby Command and order the Sheriff of the said County of
Galveston, or such other person as may have charge and custody of the
said Cooper to discharge him from said custody, and permit him to
go free from said offence.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Seal of
the Republic to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand and the Great
Seal of the Republic, at the City of
Austin this the fourteenth day of May
A.D. 1840. and of the Independence
of the Republic of Texas the fifth

Mirabeau B. Lamar

By the President

Abner. S. Lipscomb.
Secy of State

A Proclamation

Whereas, it has been made Known to me, that Encarnacion Pellida, was convicted at the April term of the District Court (1839) held in and for the County of Bexar, in the Republic of Texas, of the offence of Concealing or having in her house Articles of Merchandize supposed to have been stolen, and was by said Court sentenced to receive thirty nine lashes. And whereas, many good citizens of the said County of Bexar have appealed on behalf of said Encarnacion Pellida to the clemency of the Executive.

Therefore be it Known that I Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas, by Virtue of the power Vested in me by Law, do in the name, and by the authority of the same, by these presents pardon and exonerate the said Encarnacion Pellida of the offence of which she has been convicted, and remit the Sentence of said Court. And I do hereby order and direct the Sheriff of the said County of Bexar or such other officer, to whom the judgement of said Court was directed to release the said Pellida from said Sentence of said Court.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of Austin, this fourteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred & forty, and of the Independence of Texas the fifth.

By the President

Mirabeau B. Lamar.

Abner. S. Lipscomb
Secy of State.

A Proclamation

Be it Known, that in accordance with an act entitled "an act concerning free persons of color." approved 5th Feby 1840. I Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do in the name and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents issue this my proclamation, commanding all free persons of color, who are now in the Republic of Texas, to remove from the said Republic, before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty two. And I do hereby require the Sheriffs and Constables of the several Counties of the Republic, to use all due diligence in carrying the provisions of the above recited act into effect

Given Under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic, at the City of Austin this the Eighteenth day of May A.D. 1840. And of the Independence of the Republic of Texas the fifth

M. B. Lamar.

By the President

Anson S Sylvester
Secy of State

A Proclamation

Whereas, the term for which the several members Composing the Representative branch of the Congress of the Republic of Texas were elected will expire on the Seventh day of September next.— And whereas, the term for which the Several Senators to said Congress were elected from the Senatorial Districts Composed of the Counties of Washington and Montgomery, of the Counties of Jacogdoches & Houston, of the Counties of San Patricio Refugio & Goliad, of the Counties of Red River and Fannin, and of the Counties of Shelby, Sabine, & Harrison, will also expire on the said Seventh day of September.— Therefore be it known that I Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by Virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct, that there be an election held in each of the Counties of said Republic on the said Seventh day of September next, that being the first Monday of September, for the member of Representatives allowed by law to each of said Counties in the Congress of said Republic, and for the Senators, in the Several Senatorial districts above mentioned.— And it is further ordered that the Chief Justices of the Counties of the Republic, be and they are hereby directed to give due notice of said elections in their respective Counties, and appoint a presiding officer in each precinct who will appoint the Judges and Clerks in the Same, to hold and Conduct said election, and when the same shall have been held, the returns thereof to be made by said Judges, to them the said Chief Justices respectively within ten days according to law.

Given Under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic on the 30th day of July A.D. 1840. And of the Independence of the Republic of Texas the fifth

By the President

Anson Jones Acting Secty State.

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas the resignation of Oliver Jones, a Senator in the Congress of this Republic from the District composed of the Counties of Austin, Colorado & Port Bend has been received;

Therefore, be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct, that there be an election held on the 7th day of September next, at the time and places for holding the elections for Representatives to Congress, in the several precincts of the Counties of Austin, Colorado and Port Bend, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the Resignation of the said Oliver Jones.

And it is further ordered that the Chief Justices of the Counties of Colorado and Port Bend within ten days after the return of said elections for Senator from their different precincts may have been received by them, shall each seal up the respective returns of his respective County properly authenticated, and deliver them to the Chief Justice of the County of Austin. And the Chief Justice of the County of Austin after receiving the returns from the different precincts of his own County of the election of Senator, and the returns from the Chief Justices of the Counties of Colorado & Port Bend of the election of Senator aforesaid, will give the necessary certificates according to law.

Given under my hand and seal of the Republic at the City of Austin this 5th day of August one thousand eight hundred and forty and of the independence of Texas the fifth.

L.S.

By the President.

Mirabeau B. Lamar.

Asher S. Lipscomb, Secretary of State.

Mirabeau B. Lamar

President of the Republic of Texas.

To all whom it may concern. Satisfactory evidence having been exhibited to me, that Charles S. Wallace has been appointed Consul of the United States of America for the Port of Matagorda, I do hereby recognize him as such, and declare him free to exercise and enjoy such functions, powers and privileges, as will be allowed to the Consuls of the most favored Nations in the Republic of Texas.

In testimony whereof I have caused these letters to be made patent, and the great seal of the Republic hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand at the City of Austin, this fifteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty, and of the Independence of the Republic of Texas the fifth.

L.S.

By the President.

Mirabeau B. Lamar

Asher S. Lipscomb Secretary of State

A Proclamation

Whereas certain evil disposed persons have recently been engaged in the unlawful business of counterfeiting the Bills of Credit issued by the Congress of the United States of America, and have also been engaged in the uttering and passing of the said counterfeit Bills of Credit, and whereas it has been made known to me that Thomas Williams was convicted at the last Term of the District Court held and for the County of Jefferson of an assault upon Joseph Wiseman and was adjudged by said Court to pay a fine of one hundred dollars and costs. And whereas application has been made by many citizens of said County in behalf of said Williams to the Governor of the Territory aforesaid. Therefore be it known that I Meriwether Lewis Governor of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the Power vested in me by Law do in the name and by the authority of the same, by these presents remit the penalty adjudged by said Court of One hundred dollars and costs hereby enjoining and requiring the Clerk of said County of Jefferson to enter a Satisfaction of record on the Docket of said Court.

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the Republic of Texas at the City of Austin this the 4th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one and of the Independence of Texas the fifth

By the President,

Jo Webster
acting Secty of State

Meriwether W. Lewis

A Proclamation

Whereas it has been made known to me that Thomas Williams was convicted at the last Term of the district Court held and for the County of Jefferson of an assault upon Joseph Wiseman and was adjudged by said Court to pay a fine of one hundred dollars and costs. And whereas application has been made by many citizens of said County in behalf of said Williams to the Executive. Therefore be it known that I Meriwether Lewis President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the Power vested in me by Law do in the name and by the authority of the same, by these presents remit the penalty adjudged by said Court of One hundred dollars and costs, and do hereby enjoin and require the Clerk of said County of Jefferson to enter a satisfaction of record on the Docket of said Court, and whereas the Attorney General

Proclamation

Whereas, it hath been made known to me, that Robt. Richardson and Ashby Mahaffy, were convicted at the October term of the District Court, holden and for the County of Jasper, on a charge of fighting, and were sentenced by said Court to pay a fine of One hundred dollars each, and Costs of Suit: And whereas application has been made to the Executive, by sundry good Citizens of the County of Jasper, that the Sentences of said Court may be remitted, in the case of said Richardson and Mahaffy. Therefore be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the powers vested in, and by law, do in the Name, and by the authority of the same, by these presents, hereby remit the Sentence of said Court. And further I do hereby command and require the Clerk, Deputy Clerk or such other officer of the Law, of the County aforesaid, having Charge or Custody of the Records of Jasper County, containing the Judgements of said Court against the said Robert Richardson and Ashby Mahaffy, immediately on the receipt of this Proclamation, to make such entry or entries upon said Records as to wholly release the said Richardson & Mahaffy from said Sentence.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of Austin this twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty) and of the Independence of Texas the fifth.

Mirabeau B. Lamar

By the President
Asa Brigham
Secy of State

Proclamation

Whereas it has been made known to me, that Peak Pride, was convicted at the October term of the District Court, held in and for the County of Jasper, on a charge of keeping a Gaming Table, or Bank Table, and was sentenced by said Court, to receive thirty nine lashes on the bare back, and to be confined closely for the space of three years. And whereas, application has been made to the Executive, by sundry good citizens of the County of Jasper, in behalf of said Peak Pride, that he may be released from the Sentence of said Court. And whereas it has been made known to me, that Peak Pride, was convicted at the October term of the District Court, held in and for the County of Jasper, on a charge of keeping a Gaming Table, or Bank Table, and was sentenced by said Court, to receive thirty nine lashes on the bare back, and to be confined closely for the space of three years. And whereas

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of Austin this twentieth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and forty, and of the Independence of Texas the fifth.

Mirabeau B Lamar

(L.S.) By the President

Abner S Lipscomb
Secy of State

Proclamation, issued 5th Dec. remitting fine of William A. Haines, Fayette County, (no copy kept.)

Proclamation, ordering an election for Senator for the Counties of Jasper and Jefferson in place of D. W. Carroll resigned, 10th Dec. 1840. no copy kept.

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas, it has been made known to me that at the December Term of the District Court held in and for the County of Travis that Edward Seiders, was tried on an indictment, for permitting gambling to be carried on in his house, and found guilty by the jury under erroneous instructions from the Court, and was fined by the judgment of said Court in the sum of five hundred dollars and Costs of suit. And whereas by a petition from the Attorney for said Seiders recommended by the acting District Attorney to the Executive and in accordance with the Opinion of the Attorney General of the Republic that said fine be remitted. Therefore be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Law, do in the Name and by the authority of the said Republic, by these presents remit the said Edward Seiders, and remit the fine of five hundred dollars adjudged by said Court. And further I do hereby order and direct that the Clerk, Deputy Clerk, or other officer having charge of Records of the District Court of the County of Travis aforesaid, to make such entry on said Records as wholly and fully release said Seiders from said fine, when he the said Seiders shall have paid the Costs accrued in said suit.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Republic of Texas at the City of Austin this twenty first day of November in the year of Our Said Lord one thousand Eight hundred and forty and of the Independence of Texas the fifth.

Mirabeau B Lamar

By the President,

A. Huston acting Secy of State

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas, it has been made known to me, that Alexander McHeathers, was convicted at the last (December) term of the District Court, held in and for the County of Fayette, of the offence of Stealing a Horse, and was Sentenced by the judgment of said Court to receive thirty nine lashes on the bare back, and be imprisoned for the term of one year; and whereas, on the 5th of December last that portion of the Sentence, that he should receive thirty nine lashes, was inflicted, and Whereas, many good Citizens of the County of Fayette, have application in behalf of said Alexander McHeathers to the Clemency of the Executive praying that he be released from said Confinement.

Therefore, be it known that I, David G Burnet President of the Republic of Texas, in virtue of the power vested in me by law, do, in the name and by the authority of said Republic, grant the prayers of said petitioners, and Order that the said Alexander McHeathers, be released from said Confinement, upon the Condition that he leave said Republic of Texas within thirty days after he shall have been liberated from his said Confinement, and not again return to said Republic, and upon the further condition that if the said Heathers has property, sufficient, he shall pay the Costs of said Suit and Costs of his Confinement, previous to his liberation.

And all the Officers Commanded and require the Sheriff, Jailer, or Guard, other officer or person, who may have the Charge and Custody of said Alexander McHeathers, when he shall have Complied with the foregoing Conditions to release him from his Confinement and permit him to go free.

Given Under my hand and the great Seal of the Republic of Texas at the City of Austin this Thirtieth day of December in the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and forty, and of the Independence of Texas the fifth.

David G Burnet

By the President

A. Maples acting Sec. of State

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas it has been Satisfactorily represented to the Executive that one Adam Beatty was arrested and committed to the County Jail of Fayette County in this Republic and that on the 20th of December one thousand Eight hundred and forty, the said Beatty escaped from the custody of the Sheriff by which escape the Recognizance entered into by the said Beatty as well as the Sheriff, became forfeited, and that said Beatty is now a fugitive from the Laws, but whereas Justice and humanity as well as the safety of society require that the said Adam Beatty should be brought to trial

Whereforc be it known, that I, David G. Burnet, President of the Republic of Texas, in behalf of the power vested in me by law, do in the Name, and for the authority of said Republic, offer this my proclamation, offering a reward of five hundred dollars (in the promissory Notes of the Government) to any person or persons, who may apprehend and secure in any goal in the Republic, or deliver into the custody of any Sheriff thereof, the aforesaid Adam Beaty, that he may be dealt with according to law. And I do, further, require all officers, civil and Military, to aid and assist in bringing said offender to answer the charge made against him. . . . . .

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of Austin, this thirty first day of December, in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight hundred and forty, and of the Independence of Texas, the fifth . . . . . .

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David G. Burnet

By the President

Dan Maples Sety Secy of State

Description.— Said Beaty is about forty years of age, thick set, heavy built, about five feet eight or ten Inches high, of dark Complexion, with perhaps a few Scattering gray hairs in his head; nothing remarkable about his person, except a down cast look; he left his family in Red River County.—

David G. Burnet President of the Republic of Texas.

To all whom it may Concern.

Satisfactory evidence having been exhibited to me that Mr Barteyat (Jean Elisée) has been appointed Consul of France for the Ports of Galveston and Saint Louis. I do hereby recognize him as such, and declare him free to exercise and enjoy such functions, powers and privileges, as will be allowed to the Consuls of the most favored Nations in the Republic of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have caused these letters to be made patent and the Great Seal of the Republic to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand at the City of Austin this first day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand Eight hundred and forty One, and of the Independence of Texas the fifth

S.S

David G. Burnet

By the President

Joseph Waples

Acting Secy of State

A Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas, it has been made known to me, that Washington H. Secrets, Alexander Coleman and Thomas J. Smith, were convicted at the last (November) term of the District Court held in and for the County of Travis, of a breach of the "Act to suppress gambling" and were sentenced by said Court severally, to pay a fine of five hundred dollars and Costs of suits, and to remain in the Custody of the Sheriff until such fine and Cost should be paid. — And whereas, there being no jail in the County of Travis aforesaid, in which to keep said persons, and the expense incurred upon the Government in keeping and feeding them is very great.

Therefore be it known that I. Mirabeau B Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do, in the name and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents, remit the fine of Five hundred dollars adjudged by said Court, against the said Washington H. Secretts, Alexander Coleman and Thomas J. Smith, upon their paying all costs of said suit, and all expenses incurred in keeping them in Custody of the Sheriff.

And further I do hereby order and direct that the Clerk, Deputy Clerk or such other person having the records of the said District Court, to make such entries thereon as to wholly release the said Secretts, Coleman and Smith, when they shall have paid the Costs and expenses as above enumerated.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the [illegible] the 6th February 1841 &c

By the President

Joseph Waples

Acting Sec'y State.

Issued and Expended by Henry D. Hale, Consul of the United States for the Port of Velasco February 19th 1841

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Proclamation

Whereas, it has been represented to the Executive that Warren e Adams a citizen of e Austin County, in this Republic, did on the 12th e January last, murder one Noah Scott, also a citizen of said County, and Whereas said Warren e Adams has since said act been a fugitive from Justice, suspected to be lurking about in the Neighbourhood, well armed and bidding defiance to the officers of the law; and whereas, a petition has been presented to me requesting a proclamation e issued for the arrest of said e Adams. And a bond filed in the Department of State, signed by a number of respectable citizens of the Republic, for the sum of One thousand dollars (par funds) as a reward for the apprehension and delivery to the Sheriff of said County of e Austin the said e Adams.

Therefore, be it known that I, Mirabeau B Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, do in the name and by the authority of the said Republic, and by Virtue of the power vested in me by law, by these presents, issue this my Proclamation, offering all right and benefit that may accrue from said bond, to whoever will arrest and deliver to the Sheriff of said County of e Austin, the body of said e Adams; and I do hereby require all officers civil and Military to aid and assist in apprehending and bringing to justice the said Warren e Adams, that he may be dealt with according to law; and also request all good citizens to give their assistance in said cause.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of e Austin, the thirteenth day of e March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one, and of the Independence of the Republic the Sixth.

Mirabeau B. Lamar

By the President.

J. S. Mayfield

Secretary of State.

Proclamation.

By the President of the Republic of Texas

Whereas, it has been made known to me, that, at the last (April) of the District Court held in and for the County of Bexar, Otis e Mc Fagan and e Albine e Morine, were tried and convicted of the offence of Murder certain grades, and were each sentenced by Judgment of said Court to receive thirty nine lashes on the bare back, and be remanded to prison until the said sentence shall be carried in effect, and then and there to be branded on the weighted hand, with the letter "M" and to pay the cost of prosecution. And whereas application having been made to me by the Hon Judge of said Court, to remit the penalty of said sentence,

President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do, in the name and by the authority of the same, by these presents, hereby remit the penalty adjudged by said Court, of imprisonment and branding, and therefore do hereby order and direct the Sheriff of Bexar County or such other officer as may have in Custody the said Jose M. Reyna and Albino Morin to exempt them from said punishment of branding and to release them from said Custody, when they shall have paid the Cost of the prosecution in said suit

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at Austin this eighteenth day of March, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty one and of the Independence of Texas the Sixth.

S. H.

By the President

J. A. Mayfield

Secy of State.

Mirabeau B. Lamar.

Proclamation

By the President of the Republic of Texas.

Whereas, the term for which the President and Vice President of the Republic were elected will expire on the first Monday in September next it being the Sixth day thereof and Whereas, the term for which the several members composing the Representative branch of the Congress of the Republic of Texas were Elected will also expire on the said Sixth of September next.— And Whereas, the term for which the several Senators to said Congress were elected, from the Senatorial Districts Composed of the Counties of Gonzales, Fayette, Bastrop and Travis— Of the Counties of Austin, Colorado and Fort Bend, of the Counties of Matagorda, Jackson and Victoria— Of the Counties of Milam and Robertson, and of the County of Brazoria, will also expire on the said Sixth day of September.— And Whereas, there is a vacancy in the Senatorial District Composed of the Counties of Jasper and Jefferson by the resignation of the Hon. S. H. Everett.

Therefore be it known that I Mirabeau B. Lamar President of the Republic of Texas by Virtue of the power vested in me by Law, do hereby order and direct that there be an election held in each of the Counties of said Republic on the said Sixth day of September next (that being the first Monday of September) for electing a President, a Vice President and the number of Representatives allowed by law to each of said Counties in the Congress of said Republic and for the Senators in the several Districts which are to be elected. And it is further ordered that the Chief Justices of the several Counties of the Republic be and they are hereby directed to give due notice of said election in the respective Counties and appoint a presiding Officer over each precinct, who will appoint two Judges and Clerks for the same to hold and conduct said election, and return the same when shall have been held, the returns thereof to be made by said Judges, to them the said Chief Justices respectively within ten days thereafter according to the Constitution and the said Proclamation, election to be held on the first Monday in October next.

Given under my hand and the Great—

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Proclamation

Whereas, by a new election of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Texas, of this date, the election of the Hon. A. Ferguson, as Representative in that body from the County of San Patricio has been declared illegal, and his seat vacant.

Therefore, be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, in virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct, that the Chief Justice of San Patricio County, order an election to be held on the earliest day practicable after the receipt of this proclamation, in the several precincts of said County, to fill said vacancy; and that he appoint a presiding officer in each precinct to hold said election, and that they make their returns in due form according to "an act regulating elections" approved Oct 21st 1837.

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the Republic of Texas at the city of Austin this Sixth of November 1841 and of the independence of Texas the Sixth

(L. S.)

By the President
Mirabeau B. Lamar
Sam'l A. Roberts
Secretary of State,

Proclamation

Whereas it has been made known to me that at the late Term of the District Court held in and for the County of Brazoria, in the Republic of Texas, Warren Adams, a citizen of Colorado County, was tried and convicted for the murder of one Noah Scott, and whereas sundry petitions of citizens of the Republic have been received by me asking the clemency of the Executive, and whereas these petitions set forth good and sufficient reasons for such clemency,

Therefore Be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do in the name and by the authority of said Republic, by these presents pardon and exonerate the said Warren Adams for the said offence of murder. And I do hereby order and require the Sheriff or Jailor of Brazoria County, or such other officer having in charge or custody the said Warren Adams under and by virtue of the sentence of said Court to release him from his confinement and permit him to go at liberty.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the Republic of Texas at the city of Austin this twelfth day of November 1841 and of the Independence of Texas the Sixth.

(L. S.)

Mirabeau B. Lamar.

By the President
Sam'l A. Roberts
Secretary of State.

Proclamation

Whereas it has been represented to me, that, on or about the first day of September, 1840, two men, named P. Rose and J. Morris, citizens of Panola County, were murdered and it is believed by a man named Wm. P. Rose, and who is now a fugitive from Justice; and whereas it has also been represented, That, on or about the last of January last, John H. Campbell Sheriff of Panola County, was murdered while on the discharge of his official duty, and it is also believed that one Reese Hughes, (aided and assisted by the aforesaid William P. Rose), is guilty of said murder, and is also a fugitive from justice:- and whereas, it is believed that the aforesaid Rose and Hughes are now residing in Pascal County, and are resisting or will resist the operations of law; and whereas justice and humanity, as well as the safety of society, require that the said fugitives should be brought to trial;

Therefore, be it known That I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, in virtue of the power vested in me by law, do, in the name and by the authority of said Republic, ifsue this my proclamation, offering a reward of one thousand dollars (in the fecurrency notes of the government) to any person or persons who may apprehend and secure in any jail in the Republic, or deliver into the custody of the Sheriff of Harrison County, the aforesaid William P. Rose and Reese Hughes, or five hundred dollars (fecurrency notes) for either of them, that they may be dealt with according to law. And I do further order and require all officers civil and military, and request all good citizens to aid and assist in bringing the aforesaid offenders to Justice to answer the charges made against them.

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the Republic of Texas, at the City of Austin, this sixteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one, and of the Independence of Texas the fifth.

L. S.

Mirabeau B. Lamar.

By the President

Samuel A. Roberts.
Secretary of State.

Description — Wm. P. Rose, aged about 35 years, about six feet high blue eyes, heavy eyebrows and hair a little gray.
Reese Hughes aged about 30 years, about five feet seven inches high, is a little near sighted, stout built, dark hair, and ruddy complexion.
November 15th 1841.

Proclamation.

Whereas information has been received by me of the resignation of Willet Holmes, a member elect of the House of Representatives from the County of Milam thereby leaving his seat vacant

Therefore be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, in virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct that an election be held in said County of Milam, to fill said vacancy, on the earliest day practicable, and that the Chief Justice of said County shall give due notice, appoint the proper officers and have said election conducted according to law.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the Republic of Texas, at the city of Austin this second day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one, and of the Independence of Texas the six-th.

(L. S.)

Mirabeau B. Lamar.

By the President
Samuel A. Roberts
Secretary of State.

Proclamation

Whereas it has been made known to me that at the Spring Term of the District Court for the Present year held in and for the County of Red River in the Republic of Texas James Chute, a citizen of said County was convicted for the offence of an assault with intent to kill, and was sentenced by said Court to pay a fine of one thousand dollars, and one year's imprisonment; — And whereas a petition signed by a large number of citizens of said County has been received by me requesting the interposition of the executive in remitting the sentence of said Court —

Therefore be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do, in the name and by the authority of the same, by these presents, remit the fine and imprisonment sentenced by said Court upon said James Chute — And further I do hereby order and direct the Sheriff, jailor, or such other officer having in charge and custody the said Chute to liberate him and permit him to go free, and also direct the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the District Court of said County having charge of the records thereof to make such entries thereon as to enliven by release the said Chute from the fine sentenced upon him.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the Republic of Texas, at the city of Austin, this Fifth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and of the Independence of Texas the Sixth.

(L. S.)

Mirabeau B. Lamar.

By the President
Samuel A. Roberts
Secretary of State.

Proclamation

Whereas it has been represented to me that during the month of August last, two men, citizens of Shelby County, named Charles M. Jack son and P. X. Aaner were murdered, and it is believed said murders were committed by James Strickland and Henry G. Strickland citizens of said county. And whereas said James and Henry G. Strickland are fugitives from justice, and are supposed to be in Nacogdoches, or some other western County of the Republic, and it is believed they will resist any attempt to put into effect the laws — And whereas justice and humanity, as well as the safety and good order of society require that the said fugitives should be brought to trial:

Therefore, be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, in virtue of the power vested in me by law, do, in the name and by the authority of said Republic, issue this my proclamation, offering a reward of one thousand dollars (in the promissory notes of the Republic) to any person or persons, who may apprehend the aforesaid James and Henry G. Strickland and secure them in the jail or deliver them over to the Sheriff of said County of Shelby, or five hundred dollars, of the same funds, for either one of them, in order that they may be dealt with according to law. And I do further order and require all officers civil and Military, and request all good citizens of the Republic, to give their aid and assistance in bringing the aforesaid offenders to justice to answer the charges made against them.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Republic, at the City of Austin, this thirtieth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and of the Independence of the Republic the eighth.

L. S.

Mirabeau B. Lamar.

By the President,
Samuel A. Roberts,
Secretary of State.

Description. James Strickland is about 30 years of age, six feet high, stout built, light hair, light complexion, and a man of notorious bad character.

Henry G. Strickland is about 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, very stout built, has had one hand badly cut by a Bowie knife, and is also of notoriously bad character.

Proclamation

(By the President of the Republic of Texas)

Whereas it has been represented to me that at the Spring Term of the District Court of the present year held in and for the County of Travis in the Republic of Texas, Wm. K. Smith, a citizen of said County was convicted of the offence of keeping and exhibiting a Faro Bank; and was sentenced by said Court to pay a fine of one thousand dollars and on failure to pay the same to be imprisoned six months without the benefit or the privilege of giving bail, and whereas a petition signed by the members of the Bar and numerous good citizens known to me has been received asking a remission of said fine.—

Therefore be it known that I, Mirabeau B. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do, in the name, and by the authority of the said Republic, by these presents grant the request of said petitioners, and remit the fine sentenced by said Court, and do hereby order and direct the Clerk, or Deputy Clerk of the District Court of the County of Travis, having in charge the records thereof, to make such entries thereon as to wholly release said Wm. K. Smith from said fine, and that the Sheriff of said County permit him to have his full liberty.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the Republic of Texas, at the city of Austin, this ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and forty one, and of the Independence of Texas the sixth.

(L. S.)

Mirabeau B. Lamar

By the President,

Samuel A. Roberts,

Secretary of State.